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NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

PART I

- This communication is responsive to April 19, 1996
- All the claims being allowable. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice Of Allowance And Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be sent in due course.
- The allowed claims are 13, 16, 17, 19, 22-24
- The drawings filed on \_\_\_\_\_ are acceptable.
- Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has [...] been received. [...] not been received. (✓) been filed in parent application Serial No. 01/827013, filed on May 22, 1992
- Note the attached Examiner's Amendment.
- Note the attached Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTO-413. #17,428
- Note the attached Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.
- Note the attached NOTICE OF REFERENCES CITED, PTO-892.
- Note the attached INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION, PTO-1449.

PART II

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  - Drawing informalities are indicated on the NOTICE RE PATENT DRAWINGS, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. #6. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED.
  - The proposed drawing correction filed on \_\_\_\_\_ has been approved by the examiner. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED.
  - Approved drawing corrections are described by the examiner in the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED.
  - Formal drawings are now REQUIRED.

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Attachments:

- Examiner's Amendment
- Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTO-413
- Reasons for Allowance
- Notice of References Cited, PTO-892
- Information Disclosure Citation, PTO-1449
- Notice of Informal Application, PTO-152
- Notice re Patent Drawings, PTO-948
- Listing of Bonded Draftsmen
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A STEERING WHEEL PAD MOLDED OF A SOFT VINYL CHLORIDE RESIN COMPOSITION  
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